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Hello Carla,

We are still planning on the meeting on the 24th and it is our goal to get you all some material beforehand. I agree that face-to face meeting are ideal but given that we have not reached any sort of impasse (that I am aware of) so I think at this time that it is appropriate to have our consultant on the phone. David and I will think a little more on this though.

Thanks,

Mike

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Hello Mike-

I trust your holidays were enjoyable and relaxing.

I write to update you regarding the Gunnison UIC and to request your assistance. Since our meeting on December 9th, Excelsior sent a letter and two emails to EPA requesting confirmation of the January 24th meeting and the availability of EPA's consultant, Mr. Walker, for that meeting. Excelsior has had no response confirming the meeting and has not received the items EPA agreed to provide in advance of the meeting to ensure productive use of all of our time. Further, Excelsior believes that a face-to-face meeting with Mr. Walker will be beneficial and may assist his understanding of the project which will reduce the amount of time and energy necessary to completing the review process thereby moving into the permit drafting process more quickly.

As expressed during our meeting in December, Excelsior believes that face-to-face meetings can resolve mis-understandings, reduce the amount of time an agency will spend drafting comments thus reducing the amount of applicant effort needed to respond to comments which reduces the amount of time the agency needs to address the responses, and so on. Excelsior is willing to go to Mr. Walker or to meet in San Francisco to make this happen.

Could you help us obtain confirmation of the meeting scheduled for January 24th and Mr. Walker's attendance at the meeting? Could you also help us determine whether EPA will allow the meeting with Mr. Walker to be in person?

I thank you in advance for your assistance and look forward to hearing back from you soon.

Best regards,

Carla.

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